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B. S. WALKER & Co.,  
Feb 16, 1868.

R SALE  
& Co's CHAMPAGNE,  
HOCK & MOSELLE,

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Corner of Wellington &

Wyndham Street,

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by CHARLES ABRAHAM,

at No. 3, Wyndham

Hongkong.

# CHINA

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# MAIL.

PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL,  
LONDON.—F. ALGER 11, Clement's Lane,  
Lombard Street, George Street, 30,  
Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH, 121, Hol-  
born Hill, E.C.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW  
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Mel-  
bourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports  
generally.—WHITE & BAUER, San  
Francisco.

CHINA.—Stewart, DROWN & Co., Amoy,  
Giles & Co., Foochow, Thompson &  
Co., Shanghai, H. Fong & Co., Ma-  
nila, C. KARUTH & Co.,

## New Advertisements.

### CONSULAT DE FRANCE.

JEUDI 20 Fevrier, a 7 heures, a  
précisés du Matin, un Service  
Funèbre sera célébré en l'Eglise Ca-  
tholique, à l'occasion de l'Anniver-  
saire de la mort du Vicomte O'MA-  
HONY, précédemment Chancelier de  
ce Consulat.

Le Consul de France,  
20 feb. HENRY DU CHESNE.

### HONGKONG CLUB.

HE Second GENERAL MEETING of  
Members of the HONGKONG CLUB,  
will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 26th  
instant, at 5 p.m.

Immediately thereafter an EXTRAOR-  
DINARY GENERAL MEETING will be  
held, to take into consideration a resolu-  
tion to be then brought forward, and which is  
being put in the Club House for the in-  
formation of Members.

By order of the Committee,  
GEORGE B. AYLMORE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 17, 1868. 26fe

### THE RACES.

L. R. HOLMES, of the STAG HOTEL,  
began to announce that he has received  
ed permission to open a REFRESHMENT  
TEA during the ensuing Races, at the  
South end of the line of Stables, at the  
Race Course, for the Accommodation of  
Visitors to the Grand Stand.

A substantial Tiffin will be provided for  
one dollar.

The Tent will be opened at Two o'clock  
each day.

Wines, Beer and Spirits of the best qua-  
lity at moderate prices.

Hongkong, February 11, 1868.

### HONGKONG ATHLETIC SPORTS.

HE above SPORTS will take place on  
the Cricket Ground, on SATURDAY,  
26th February, commencing at 2 p.m.

REGINALD D. STARKEY,  
Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, February 11, 1868.

### NOTICE.

RENTS and Accounts COLLECTED with  
punctuality and despatch.

Doors open at 8.30, to Commence at 9 p.m.

### ADMISSION.

Reserved Seats \$2

Front Seats \$1

Tickets can be obtained at Messrs. LANE,  
CRAWFORD & Co's, and at the door of the  
Theatre.

### COFFEE HOUSE.

in both of which Miss ANNIE HILL will  
appear.

Doors open at 8.30, to Commence at 9 p.m.

### ADMISSION.

Branches and Agencies.

Bombay.

Calcutta.

Madras.

Colombo.

Ceylon.

Galle.

Singapore.

Penang.

Shanghai.

Yokohama.

Hankow.

Foochow.

Mauritius.

Saigon.

Batavia.

EDINBURGH Deposit Agency.

128, George Street.

CHARLES PEARSON, Esq., o.a.—Agent.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Current deposits.—Accounts are kept on

which no interest is allowed and no charge

made for collecting Bills, Cheques, &c.

Fixed deposits.—Are received, viz.—

Repayable at 12 months.....% per annum.

The Bank discounts Local Bills, and

Notes payable in Hongkong having at least

two approved names unconnected in general

partnership, and makes advances on ap-  
proved Banking Securities.

Exchange.

The Bank issues drafts on its London

Office and on the London Joint Stock

Bank at four months' sight, also on its

Branches above, and Agents in Scotland,

Ireland, Melbourne, Sydney, and towns in

Australia, New Zealand, &c., and grants

Circular Notes for the use of travellers  
necessarily in all towns of importance

throughout the world.

Bills payable in Europe or in any of the

above mentioned places are purchased or

referred for collection.

Further information as to the rules of

business may be obtained at the office, or

on application by letter to the manager.

Office hours—10 to 3, Saturdays 10 to 1.

WILLIAM JACKSON, Manager.

2, Queen's Road, February 27, 1867. 21fe

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

HAWCETT & Co. will sell by Public

Auction, at their Sales Room, on

SATURDAY,

the 22nd February, 1868, at 11 o'clock

(instead of at the time previously

advertised).

A fine Assortment of GOODS, just

landed ex 400, consisting of—

An assortment of Crockery Ware.

## Shipping.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAM SHIP CO.

## NOTICE.

The

"CHINA,"

Capt. GEO. E. LANE, will sail from Hongkong for Yokohama and San Francisco, on the 25th instant, at 3 P.M. precisely.

No Freight received after Noon of 24th instant.

Passengers are requested to be on Board at 2 P.M. day of sailing.

W. F. BOWMAN,

Agent.

Hongkong, February 15, 1868.

## 26fe

FOR SAIGON.

The A 1 French Schooner

"HELENE,"

MEYVILLE, Master, will have immediate despatch, and takes

Cargo at cheap Rates.

Apply to

CARLOWITZ &amp; CO.

Hongkong, February 14, 1868.

## 27fe

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 British Ship

"CHAS. SZE,"

556 Tons Register, will load at Whampoa.

For Freight, apply to

MESSRS. DEACON &amp; CO.,

Canton, or to the Undersigned.

## 28fe

TURNER &amp; CO.

Hongkong, February 15, 1868.

## 29fe

FOR SYDNEY.

The A 1 French Clipper-barque

"OCEAN,"

Captain Huttons, will have early despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL &amp; CO.

Hongkong, February 12, 1868.

## 30fe

FOR SYDNEY &amp; MELBOURNE.

The British Ship

"JOSHUA BATES,"

Capt. Sykes, will have immediate despatch for the above.

For Freight, apply to

BOSMAN &amp; CO.

Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

## 31fe

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The British Ship

"CHELSEA,"

904 Tons Register, Lowe, Master, having the greater part of her Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BOSMAN &amp; CO.

Hongkong, February 15, 1868.

## 32fe

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 Hamburg Barque

"CERES,"

530 Tons Register, Johnson, Master, having the greater part of her Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

OLYPHANT &amp; CO.

Hongkong, January 6, 1868.

## 33fe

NOTICES to Consignees.

THE following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.

Ex "Tigris," 5th December.

1 Basket Feathers.

Ex "Dormia," 7th January, 1868.

B. 531. 1 Case Paper.

Ex "Cambodge," 6th February.

B. 1702. 1 Case Rifles.

OF 38. 1 Case Merchandise.

RG 1/2. 2 Cases Pictures.

d. Grancey. 1 Case Books.

C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent.

Hongkong, February 12, 1868.

## 34fe

NOTICE.

MESSRS. H. P. M. WAGGERS and H.

M. A. OERMAN, ceased to be Part-

ners in our Firm since the 31st December

ultimo.

GAYMANS &amp; CO.

Nagasaki, January 1, 1868.

## 35fe

NOTICE.

MESSRS. H. C. CO'S STEAMER "CHINA,"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND

YOKOHAMA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above

named vessel are requested to send

in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned

for countersignature and to take immediate

delivery of their Goods.

Cargo not called for within 24 hours after

arrival will be landed and stored at risk and

expense of Consignees.

GEO. F. BOWMAN,

Agent.

Hongkong, February 15, 1868.

## 36fe

NOTICE.

PIERY CROSS? FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNERS of Cargo by the above

Vessel are requested to send in their

Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for

countersignature, and to take immediate

delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the ves-

sel will be landed and stored at the risk and

expense of the Consignees.

HOLLIDAY, WISE &amp; CO.

Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

## 37fe

NOTICE.

"SUOMI" FROM GLASGOW.

CONSIGNERS of Cargo by the above

named Vessel are requested to send

in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned

for countersignature, and to take immediate

delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the ves-

sel will be landed and stored at Consignees

risk and expense.

ARNHOLD KARBERG &amp; CO.

Hongkong, February 8, 1868.

"VIRGEN DEL CARMEN," FROM

MANILA.

CONSIGNERS of Cargo by the above

named Vessel, will please send in their

Bills of Lading for countersignature, and

take immediate delivery of their goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the ves-

sel will be landed and stored at the risk and

expense of the Consignees.

AUGUSTINE HEARD &amp; CO.

Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

## Notices of Firms.

## NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. CLAUS BUDBE to sign our Firm from this date.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. A. D. MITCHELL in our Firm, ceased on the 31st day of December, 1867.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. A. FERGUSON in our Firm ceased on the 1st day of November, 1868.

## NOTICE.

FROM and after this date, Captain J. C. SAUNDERS will undertake the Business of my Marine Surveying at this port.

## NOTICE.

WITH reference to the above, the business hitherto carried on at this port by H. J. DRING, Esq. at Foochow will be conducted by the Undersigned.

## NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself in Business as a Commission Agent at Kob (Hsigo) and Osaka.

## NOTICE.

THE Business will be henceforth carried on under the same Name by the Undersigned.

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## Advertisements.

SALE.  
Superior SHERRY,  
as "Crown Queen."  
Amontillado SHERRY  
in cases.  
Oloroso SHERRY in 3  
seas.  
Perfume SHERRY in 2  
seas.  
asks (cased) Superior  
SHERRY.

LIVINGSTON & Co.  
27, 1868.

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from London.)  
RET in cases one dozen

RAUX, \$15.  
VILLE, \$13.  
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31, 1868. maz.

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Pints and Quarts.  
MUND R. HOLMES,  
Star Hotel,  
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Business has now  
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uary 3, 1868.

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No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD  
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N. INDIA.

ACEWEN & Co.  
December, 1867.

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18th February, 1868.

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18th February, 1868.

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## MARRIAGE.

At St. John's Cathedral, on the 18th instant, by the Rev. W. R. Beach, M.A., Colonial Chaplain, THOMAS BAMPFORD HOOPER, to MARY DOROTHY, daughter of James Corlette, of Newcastle, N.S.W.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEB. 18, 1868.

Mr. STEWART's report upon the Government Schools of Hongkong for 1867 was published in Saturday's *Gazette*, and is one of the most interesting and able of the many documents of a similar nature from the same source. We shall not insert it until the Races are over, as it is worthy of a more attentive perusal than it is likely to obtain during the period of the Hongkong carnival; and for a similar reason we reserve our comments upon the points to which it refers. The report is somewhat late in making its appearance, but this is amply atoned for by the manner in which so difficult a problem as native education in this Colony is discussed by the writer. On the present occasion we content ourselves with subjoining an extract from the tabular portion of the report, shewing the general statistics of the Government system of native teaching—

Thirteen schools have been in operation, two of which are noted as exclusively Hakka and two as exclusively Punti. The total maximum of Scholars enrolled was 700, the attendance 610; the minimum enrolled was 533, attendance 408. The maximum enrolment for the last six years, commencing with 1862, was 733, the next and following years 535, 502, 597, 623, and 700 in 1867; so that a general rise in numbers has taken place annually. The attendance for the same period has varied from 112 to 51 below the enrolment. The total number of uneducated children in Hongkong, over 6 years of age, is put down at 10,800, those attending schools of all denominations being 1,600. The number who left school during the year was 75.

Of course these figures give but a faint idea of the actual progress of education such as is furnished by Mr. Stewart's report. They afford, however, an index of the proportion between the youth population and the number who are under educational influences, and as such are possessed of some interest.

The petition against the military contribution was, we understand, sent home by the last mail. We have already ventured to predict the nature of the reception it will get from the Commons and from the Colonial Office, and our anticipations are strengthened by a recent correspondence between the Governor of Ceylon and the Duke of Buckingham, in reference to Military Expenditure in that colony. Sir Hercules gives reasons for "an equitable revision of the contribution," not for its entire remission. The Secretary of State replies, in a letter dated Nov. 27, last year, and from it we take the following three paragraphs:

I am unable to accede to your proposal that the Imperial Government should furnish to the Colony a detailed account of the expenditure actually incurred by the War Department in connexion with the Military service of Ceylon. The past history of this question, and your own Dispatch, convinces me that it is not by inviting an enabling Imperial and Colonial authorities to debate matters of minute detail, that a matter of this kind can be brought to a satisfactory issue.

The present arrangement must endure for the time assigned to it, and at the period of re-consideration approaches, it will be for Her Majesty's Government to decide on what principles any fresh arrangement shall be based, and what form of examination is necessary to secure that justice is done to the interests of the Colony of Ceylon, and of the United Kingdom, respectively.

I think it proper to observe, though without reference to any of the particular questions raised in your Dispatch, that although Her Majesty's Government are desirous of allowing great weight to the opinion of the Ceylon Government and Legislature respecting the numbers, composition, and location of the Military Force in Ceylon, yet that they are not at liberty and must not be understood to transfer to that Government and Legislature the responsibility of determining in the last resort what is the Military or Naval Force really required for the defence of Ceylon, and what annual payment the Colony can properly be required to contribute in respect of the advantages derived from the protection afforded by the Mother country.

## LOCAL.

We hear that Mr. Pope HENNESSY, Governor of Lebanon, has married Miss LOW, daughter of the Treasurer of that settlement.

We remind our readers of Kohler's second Concert, to come off this evening at the Garrison Theatre. It will be well worth

the application of the Attorney General, on the ground of general custom; the Chief Justice adjourned the February Criminal Sessions until ten o'clock on Friday morning; the meeting and adjournment not lasting over two minutes.

TO-DAY'S HORSES.

Chia Anow, a China boy, was charged by the keeper of the Stage Hotel with having attempted to pass a bad Dollar in exchange for two small bottles of Bass, on the evening of Saturday, 8th inst. While in custody in the dock of the Police Court, this individual escaped on Monday, the 10th, and was afterwards caught by a district watchman of Taipingshan, prompted by the offer of a reward of \$100, which we understand is now forthcoming from

the Police. Evidence was taken, and the prisoner was committed for trial at the next criminal sessions of the Supreme Court.

A cooie formerly in the employ of the Medical Hall, was last night found secreted in the said premises, and taken to the Station. This morning he was charged, and sentenced to three-months' hard labor, as a suspicious character.

## THE AMATEUR THEATRICALS.

The critic of the *Review* in reviewing a performance of the Hongkong Amateur Theatrical Corps in the days gone by, was an exceedingly simple one. "He had but to ring the changes on "good," "very good," "excellent," and other phrases of approval, and the terms might come in at any part of his work." "Where all succeeded, &c., it would be invidious to particularize individual excellence," &c., &c. How changed the critic's position now; shades of the greatest ones who have departed! What have we done that should be so affected as at present? We are sadly in want of the teachings and example of the inimitable "Irish Tutor," and long for our "Little Treasure," and to conude with "The Blighted Being," of course.

His Worship observed that this would be a service for the Magistrate, as the advance note was unimpassioned; and although Mr. Blackwood endeavored to prove to the Court that advanced notes did not come with the new Stamp Ordinance, his Honor reserved the right to decide upon that matter and impounded the note.

Two Chut Sing v. J. C. Burt, \$38.—Defendant did not appear, and judgment was given against him.

Ng a Cheong v. Chee Yat Kai, \$194.31—  
for goods supplied.—Defendant not ap-  
pearing, judgment went by default.

Yuen Alum v. J. Butcher, \$1.40—for wages as a servant.—Defendant admitted 22 days at \$5 a month; but as he had failed to notify the fact of having tendered that amount, he came in for the costs. Judgment for \$4.40.

Chang Ahing v. M. Hoosan, \$2.40, for milk.—Judgment for plaintiff.

Same v. Mahomet, \$6.70, also for milk; judgment as above.

S. Vismar v. Wong A-yow, \$27.33.—Defendant is a compadre to Moossi Siemsen & Co.; and as the plaintiff did not appear, his Honor ordered \$2 costs to be given to the defendant. But defendant would not appear.

Wu Ahong v. Lee A-fook, \$52.90, for clothes retained by defendant.—Plaintiff is the boy who was sentenced to two months' hard labor for embezzling monies belonging to his master, Mr. Clark, Assistant Surveyor General. Defendant is the cook, and as the cook held plaintiff's clothes as security at the time of the embezzlement being discovered, plaintiff now sues for his recovery, he having the *chin-tan* gang on Saturday last.—His Honor remarked that the plaintiff had been convicted of felony, and that a felon's property belonged to the Crown.—This case was postponed until Tuesday.

OFFICIAL FAVORITISM.

The San Francisco *Bulletin* says:—The Clerk of the United States District and Circuit Courts (Whitney) and his deputies manifest a disposition to make those Courts a kind of circumlocution office, for the particular benefit of the great Barnacle family. We refer to their practice of impressing and keeping out of the reach of the press certain descriptions of news—matters of record—in which the public has an interest and about which it is the right and duty of the press to give correct information.

The practice is most general and annoying in that branch of their business relating to bankrupt cases under the new law; it was incessant; but it may be fairly said, that to Captain Staples is due, the fact that the audience leaving the theatre with a less poignant feeling of disappointment than might otherwise have pained them. Their perseverance in keeping fiddles and flutes half a note flat throughout the accompaniments to the incidental songs was most wonderful, and we also bear testimony to the exceedingly efficient manner in which the scenes were shifted and arranged generally. *Poor Pollicy* was the only thing which saved the night's performance. Captain Staples was really admirable; it will be absurd even to criticize him, for he displays much comic power, and we never remember seeing a better or more natural performance.

*Captain O'Scatt* was very creditably performed, and Sarah was better and more natural than we have yet seen her. The house was well filled, and the applause and laughter throughout the farce was incessant; but it may be fairly said, that to Captain Staples is due, the fact that the audience leaving the theatre with a less poignant feeling of disappointment than might otherwise have pained them. Their perseverance in keeping fiddles and flutes half a note flat throughout the accompaniments to the incidental songs was most wonderful, and we also bear testimony to the exceedingly efficient manner in which the scenes were shifted and arranged generally. *Poor Pollicy* was the only thing which saved the night's performance. Captain Staples was really admirable; it will be absurd even to criticize him, for he displays much comic power, and we never remember seeing a better or more natural performance.

One gentleman who had a very narrow escape, the particulars of which I learned from himself. He was about to remove from an inland station to another—not railway station these, although, I may observe, he was a surveyor—and his trunk was packed up. These were removed to a sort of shed, awaiting the bullocks which were to take them on, when it struck him that a small cord had come off. It was twilight, which is equivalent to saying it was almost dark, and he could just see the cord lying on the spot from which he had taken the box. He stooped pick it up, but as he did so, the supposed cord reared itself in the hideously coarse of the cobra, and threw back its head. The surveyor leaped desperately aside, just as the creature launched itself at him. Not one of the medicines in the world could have been a yard closer to the line of its spring. He snatched a steel-pointed rod which he had in his profession; and stretched the snake with a broken buck to the floor. It was believed that the cobra had dropped from the low roof on to the trunk, and had then crept under it. It was a long time ere my informant could speak calmly of this incident.

KILLED BY SAVAGES.

By information which we gather from Mr. H. J. Workman, first officer and sailing master of the British brig *Ana*, which arrived at this port last week from Guan, it appears that some of the inhabitants of the Philippines are yet far from being civilized, although they have been under the nominal rule of Spain for several centuries. The circumstances to which we refer is the following, as related by Mr. Workman, and contained in his written "declaration" filed with the Spanish authorities:

The *Ana*, in February last, was on the passage from Manila to Guan, having on board as passengers Sen. Don Jose Perez Raldan y Noriego, an official of high rank known as "Administrator." When off the Island of Mindanao, one of the Philippines, Feb. 27, smoke having been seen arising over the trees close to the shore, and the Spanish gentleman desiring to land, Capt. Johnson directed Mr. Workman to lower the boat and proceed on shore, and examining if there was a good watering place, and at the same time endeavor to procure some fresh fruits and vegetables. The place is marked on the Spanish chart as "Agundia," signifying that it is a watering place; and is further described as possessing an anchorage. Capt. Johnson

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F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,  
Hongkong, Feb. 15, 1868.

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Letters insufficiently stamped or unstamped addressed to places to which they cannot be forwarded unpaid, will be opened and returned to the writers as early as possible, but no guarantee can be given that such Letters, if posted after 9 P.M. on the 25th inst., will be returned until after the mail is closed.

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F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,  
Hongkong, February 12, 1868.

[COPY.]

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10. I.P.M.  
13. 1.55.

(Signed) THOS. AUSTIN,  
In Charge.

Tel. Office, Galle, 13th January, 1868.

True Copy.

(Signed) F. BAYLEY,  
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11m.

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H. COHEN.

Hongkong, March 13, 1867.

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J. R. ENDICOTT,  
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